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TENNESSEE REHABILITATION CENTER HOLDS DECEMBER GRADUATION

STUDENTS OVERCOME BARRIERS TO ACHIEVE MORE INDEPENDENT LIVES

WHAT: Nearly 80 young men and women with physical and/or mental disabilities are graduating from the Tennessee Rehabilitation Center (TRC) in Smyrna this week. While at TRC, the students were trained in various fields to help them get into or re-enter the workforce and attain a better quality of life. Business Education, Food Service and Groundskeeping are just a few of the areas of study offered at TRC.

WHEN: Friday, December 16
10:00 a.m.

WHERE: Tennessee Rehabilitation Center
460 Ninth Avenue
Smyrna, Tenn. (near the National Guard barracks)

MORE: The Tennessee Rehabilitation Center is a state-operated comprehensive rehabilitation facility. It is one of only nine such centers in the nation. Services are provided on campus, and the majority of clients live on site while enrolled in TRC programs. The length of programs offered at TRC varies, depending upon the client's interest, abilities and needs. More than 1,000 individuals with disabilities are served at TRC each year. Since the center opened in 1977, TRC has served over 25,000 students.

TRC is part of the Division of Rehabilitation Services at the Tennessee Department of Human Services. For more information, please visit our website at:
<http://www.state.tn.us/humanserv/trc-tvtrc.htm>.

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